



Lake County 4-H Newsletter!

**December
9th
Newsletter!**



Oh Deer... Winter is here

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1.) Zsuites– new way to enroll in 4H ENROLLMENT OPEN NOW! Enroll by December 1st to avoid late fees!

2.) Attention: Council is voting on new officers soon for Vice President and Secretary.

3.) New Leather Class listed– Make a keychain and field trip! 2-spots left!

5.) Mini libraries are nearing completion. Have your club planning for decoration and location!

6.) Project Day Announced! Sign up today!

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Agenda/upcoming Items for our 4H Clubs

(Read this portion at your club meetings Online)

1.) Awards committee meeting scheduled for December 15th at 6:00pm

We want one member for each club to help out. Please volunteer at

lake1@montana.edu

2.) Zsuites– Sign up asap to avoid late fees. Due date to sign up is December 1st to avoid late fees. Be sure not to sign up on 4honline anymore, as we are discontinuing that service. Enroll at

<https://4h.zsuite.org/>

3.) Leather Class announced (Page 4). 4-H'ers will get to make keychains and have a field trip to Muley Bluz in Ronan to witness how saddles are made! Neato!

4.) PROJECT DAY! Sign up for one of two sections. Limit of 20 per section.

5.) Make sure your livestock checks are cashed no later than December 30th!

6.) 4-H Winter Pen Pal Program! Please see the next page for details. Participate today!

7.) Horse Project meet and greet! Our new horse leader, Jamie Connally, would like to meet you December 30th. Details on Page 5!



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States' 4-H Winter Pen Pal Program

CONNECT WITH STATES' 4-H YOUTH FROM
AROUND THE GLOBE THIS WINTER!



**OUR PEN PAL PROGRAM RUNS FROM
MID JANUARY - MID APRIL 2021!**

Steps to Participate

- Sign up!**
1) Visit <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/7N8RBHY> and fill in your information.
- Match!**
2) We will pair you with a same gender, similar aged youth from a country of your preference (if possible).
- Connect!**
3) Write at least twice per month with your match (you should each receive and send at least two messages per month).
- Make Friends!**
4) Share fun facts about your daily life and culture with your pen pal. Be sure to check out our recommended topics of the month as a starting point for your messages.
- Share!**
5) At the end of the program we will be creating an online space for participants to share what they learned from their pen pal.



**LET'S MAKE INTERNATIONAL FRIENDS
THIS WINTER!**



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Deadline is here! Please get enrolled and call us ASAP to get into the system
To sign up, go to <https://4h.zsuite.org/> today!
Message the Extension Office for any help!





Saddle up! Attention Horse 4-H'ers:

Jamie Connally will be joining you all as a new leader in horse-related projects.

All who are currently or are interested in joining a Horse Project are invited to a Meet 'n Greet!

Wednesday, December 30 from 2-4:00PM @ Pablo Church of the Nazarene (42653 Old Hwy 93, Pablo)

Get together for a fun time to enjoy a classic horse movie, eat snacks, brainstorm future activities and meet friends.

Contact Jamie at 760-384-8465 if you have any questions!

Jamie Connally, ESMT

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Last Call!

Weekend Workshop Series- Beginning Leathercrafting -2 spots left!-

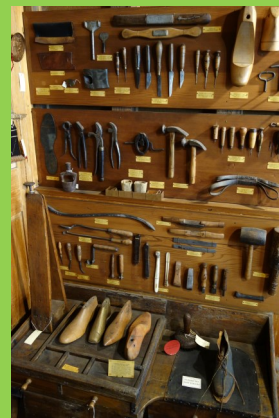
Date: Saturday, December 12th, 9am-11am

Cost: \$3

Limit of 6

Signup by emailing/ calling extension (lake1@montana.edu)

We will be doing a field trip to Steve Krumm's Leather shop "Muley Bluz" in Downtown Ronan, and then making our very own key-chains! This will be an introductory class and give everyone a taste of how to make their own leathercrafts!





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Lunch Included!

Project Day 2020!

We will be hosting Project Day 2020 on Thursday,
December 31st in two sections:

1.) 9am-noon

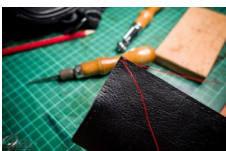
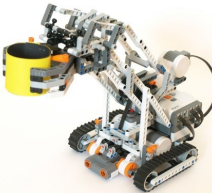
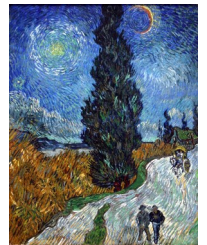
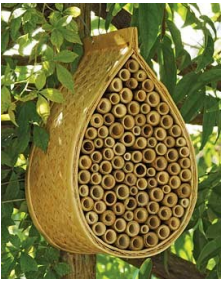
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2.) 1pm-4pm

Cost: To Be Determined

Limit of 20 per section

RSVP BY FRIDAY DECEMBER 18th



Featuring Projects:

Leathercraft

Art

Cooking

STEM

Sewing

Bumblebee house build

Bread Baking

Clover Bud Project





Fair Theme Contest

It is that time of year again! We will be selecting a name for our new fair in January, and the winner will get \$100 from the Fair Board! Please email lake1@montana.edu your name idea today to enter! The decision will be made at the January Fair Board Meeting.

Awards Committee– Help out 4-H today!

Come help us make important decisions regarding awards at fair. We need input from regular 4-H families. Committee meeting is 6:00pm on December 15th. Bring your best cookies to have a cookie cook-off competition.



Mini Library Instructions



For now we request that clubs:

*Find a location, obtain permissions and bury the 4x4 stand assembly (We will provide your club with that shortly.)

*(Optional) Register your library and order the plaque for it at <https://littlefreelibrary.myshopify.com/products/silver-aluminum-charter-sign?variant=17506180993>

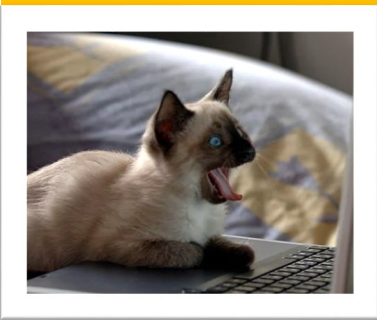
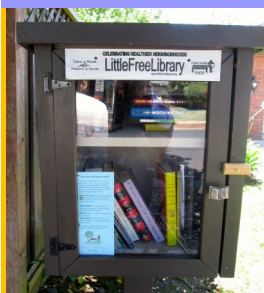
*Paint and decorate your box– **TAKE PHOTOS!**

*Make bookmarkers for it

*Find donation books and canned foods for your boxes

*HAVE FUN!!!!

We have a head start of books and canned goods for the library at the office if you need it!



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December 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10 Stockmans Deadline	11	12 Leather craft class
13	14	15 Awards Commit- tee Meeting 6:00pm	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31 PROJECT DAY!!!		

JANUARY! 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30



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Western Montana Stockmen's Association

SCHOLARSHIP HEIFER PROGRAM APPLICATION DEADLINE **December 10, 2020**

Western Montana Stockmen's Association (WMSA) is making available a herd building heifer program to develop youth in the cattle business by awarding a yearling heifer to a youth chosen by the Board of Directors through an application process. This program is designed to encourage members of 4H and FFA to start and develop their own herd.

ELIGIBILITY: Any 4H or FFA member in the six-county area served by WMSA, between the ages of 10 and 16 as of January 1, 2021 is eligible to apply. Western Montana Counties include: Lake, Lincoln, Mineral, Missoula, Flathead, and Sanders.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Personal letter of application including:

Name and age of applicant, "All contact information, mailing, email, phone".

Introduction of applicant and their background.

Stated Goals and Objectives for the heifer

Current interests in agriculture

Name of 4H club or FFA chapter

Description of facilities and grazing that will be used

Why would you like to receive a scholarship heifer?

Mentor: Applicant needs to identify a knowledgeable adult other than a family member who will assist with knowledge and skills to help raise the heifer through yearly production cycles. "Include all contact information for the Mentor"



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Two letters of reference, one may be from Extension Agent, 4H Leader, or FFA Advisor. Another letter must be from applicants chosen Mentor. Include mentor's address, phone number and email address.

Fair Exhibit: Required during the first year. The heifer must be enrolled in the FFA or 4H beef project and exhibited at one of the County fairs within WMSA's six-County region (unless an alternative option to fair exhibition is approved by the committee). A breeding beef futurity will be held (time, date, location to be announced) at a County fair in the six-county area. This Futurity will consist of all WMSA 1st year heifers, with past winners being invited to enter.

Committee Visitation: In April of 2021 a committee representing the Stockmen's Association will contact heifer recipients in order to view the heifer and how she is being cared for.

Fair Banner: A banner supplied by WMSA must be placed above the fair stall of the heifer.

Record Keeping: It is required that either 4H or FFA records be kept on the heifer. Recipients will be required to submit records kept through June 2021 and again in January to the Association. Mail records on or before June 12, 2021. Then again have records up to date in January 2022 at the annual business meeting.

Poster Display at WMSA Annual Meeting: One year after being awarded the heifer it is required that a display with pictures and records be set up at the WMSA annual business meeting January 2022, Polson MT. At which time the applicant will receive full ownership of the heifer. Until then, during the first year the heifer will be jointly owned with WMSA.

Heifers will be awarded January 30, 2021 at the Association annual meeting.

Questions Contact: Cody Sherman 406-261-0376, or Paul Guenzler 406-261-3566

**Return Application To: Western Montana Stockmen's Association
35101 Willow Tree, St. Ignatius, MT 59865**

Applications must be post marked on or before December 10, 2020 to be Considered.



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Please review the attached cost estimates associated with raising the heifer for the first year.

Heifer Scholarship

Cost Consideration Estimates When applying for a Heifer	
February – May, 120 days winter feeding	Forage 27
lbs. per day = 2 ton \$150.00 per ton \$300	
Grain 5 lbs. per day= 600lbs x0.35 per lbs.	\$192
Pasture – May – October 130 days	
4 months \$25.00 per month	\$112
Salt & Mineral for 12 months, 70 lbs. x0.55 /lb.	\$38
Other Cash Costs	
Ex. Vet Med, equipment, Breeding Cost,	
Extra grain, Etc.	\$100

Approximately **\$750.00** is what you will need to pay for one-year heifer maintenance costs. Actual expenses will vary according to feed prices and management choices.



T-Shirt Winners!

You enrolled early and paid on time and were drawn out of a hat to win a free 4-H t-shirt!

Please email us the size shirt you would like to receive at
lake1@montana.edu

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| 1.) Morgan Shepard | 11.) Halsey Middlemist |
| 2.) Ronson Hout | 12.) Awnista'h Lee Winger-Clairmont |
| 3.) Sidney Bauer | 13.) Sarah Snyder |
| 4.) Amy Snyder | 14.) Elam Mast |
| 5.) Alexandria Dupis | 15.) Seth Ingram |
| 6.) Hallie Granley | 16.) Elijah Fussell |
| 7.) Ryle Lytle | 17.) Shelby Tryon |
| 8.) Tavian Clairmont | 18.) Claire Rice |
| 9.) Ben Mitchell | 19.) Paisley Kraude |
| 10.) Rosslyn Wilson | 20.) Hazel Burton |